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Mayor and Council President Celebrate Police Station Opening

SAN DIEGO -- Council President Scott Peters joined Mayor Jerry Sanders, Councilman Brian Maienschein and Police Chief William Lansdowne today to celebrate the opening of the Northwestern Division Police Substation in Carmel Valley.

Located at El Camino Real and Elijah Court in the heart of Carmel Valley, the 21,000 square foot Northwestern Division substation provides 24-hour police patrols across 31 square miles of San Diego, including the communities of Carmel Valley, Pacific Highlands Ranch, Black Mountain Ranch, Torrey Hills, Torrey Highlands, Torrey Pines and Sorrento Valley.

The Northwestern Division public counter will be open to the public Monday through Thursday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. to assist residents with crime and accident reports, as well as other services.

Council President Peters thanked Frisco White, Chairman of the Carmel Valley Community Planning Board for their support of the project. "This substation is the culmination of many years of work by the Carmel Valley Community Planning Board and area residents to increase the police presence in this area," Peters said. "No longer will officers be pulled from other communities to respond to Carmel Valley and surrounding neighborhoods, which will improve response times and public safety citywide."

The Northwestern Division Police Substation was paid for with nearly \$20 million dollars in Facility Benefit Assessment funds generated in Carmel Valley.